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NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

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As required by Section 7.9.3 of the Funding and Management Agreement (FMA), an interlocal agreement made pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 791 by and among the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA), the City of New Braunfels (New Braunfels), the City of San Marcos (San Marcos), the City of San Antonio acting by and through its San Antonio Water System (SAWS), Texas State University, and the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA), a meeting of the Science Committee for the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan is scheduled for Wednesday January 31, 2018 at 9 a.m. at the San Marcos Activity Center (Multipurpose Room), 501 E. Hopkins, San Marcos, Texas, 78666. Lunch will be provided. All attendees are encouraged to please RSVP to ktolman@edwardsaquifer.org by Monday, January 29, 2018.

Members of this committee include: Tom Arsuffi, Janis Bush, Jacquelyn Duke, Charles Kreitler, Conrad Lamon, Glenn Longley, Robert Mace, Doyle Mosier, Chad Norris, Jackie Poole, and Floyd Weckerly.

At this meeting, the following business may be considered and recommended for committee action:

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Public comment.
- 3. Approval of the Science Committee meeting minutes (Attachment 1).
- 4. Receive report from the Program Manager.
 - Spring systems and index well update
 - The National Academy of Sciences EAHCP Science Review Panel's *Report 3*, meeting 2 overview
 - Contractor selection for the Sessom Creek 2018 Applied Research project
 - 2017 Incidental take assessment (Attachment 2)
- 5. Presentation, discussion, and possible recommendation of the Nonroutine Adaptive Management proposal related to the Aquifer Storage and Recovery program (Attachments 3 and 4).

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Purpose: To provide the opportunity for the Science Committee to discuss and possibly recommend the Nonroutine Adaptive Management proposal related to the Aquifer Storage and Recovery program to the Stakeholder Committee.

Action: To possibly recommend the Nonroutine Adaptive Management proposal to the Stakeholder Committee.

6. Presentation and possible endorsement of an expedited process to prepare and to submit the Nonroutine Adaptive Management Scientific Evaluation Report to the Stakeholder Committee.

Purpose: To provide the opportunity for the Science Committee to discuss and possibly endorse a process to prepare and to submit the Nonroutine Adaptive Management Scientific Evaluation Report to the Stakeholder Committee.

Action: To possibly endorse the expedited process for preparing the Nonroutine Adaptive Management Scientific Evaluation Report and for submitting it to the Stakeholder Committee.

7. Presentation of the 2017 Biological Monitoring Reports (Attachments 5 and 6).

Purpose: To inform the Science Committee of the 2017 Biological Monitoring Reports. *Action:* No action required.

8. Presentation and discussion of the proposed 2018 Work Plan Amendments for the Refugia, Biological Monitoring, and the Applied Research Programs (Attachments 7, 8 and 9).

Purpose: To provide the Science Committee the opportunity to review and comment on the science-related aspects of the proposed 2018 Work Plan Amendments for the Refugia, Biological Monitoring, and the Applied Research Programs.

Action: To possibly endorse the proposed 2018 Work Plan Amendments for the Refugia, Biological Monitoring, and the Applied Research Programs.

9. Presentation and discussion of the formation and goals of the Research Work Group to discuss the Comal Springs riffle beetle biomonitoring program.

Purpose: To provide the opportunity for the Science Committee to comment on the formation and goals of the Research Work Group related to the Comal Springs riffle beetle biomonitoring program.

Action: No action required.

- 10. Consider future meetings, dates, locations, and agendas.
 - Science Committee Meeting, Thursday, March 8th at 9 a.m. at the San Marcos Activity Center (Multipurpose Room).
- 11. Questions and comments from the public.
- 12. Adjourn.